

Remarks

Claim Rejections - 35 USC 102

Claims 17, 5, 7, were rejected over Lee.

Claims 5 has been canceled and claims 17, 7, and 11 have been amended to specify that the drain contact region and emitter of the present invention are formed in an n+ well and that the drain contact region is formed in at least two parts on either side of the emitter. This is not taught or suggested in Lee.

Claim 11 was also rejected over Tsuei. Claim 11 has been combined with claim 12 so that there are at least 2 drain contact regions on either side of the emitter. This is not found in Tsuei.

Claim Rejections - 35 USC 103

Claims 11-12, 14-15, 18 were rejected under 35 USC 103 over the Lee in view of Wei.

Claims 12, 15 have been canceled.

Regarding claims 11, 14, 18, these have been amended to specify a drain contact region in at least two parts in an n-well and located on either side of a p+emitter. Neither Lee nor Wei disclose a drain contact region in at least two parts, and an emitter, all formed in an n-well. Therefore claims 11, 14, 18 are distinguishable over both Lee and Wei alone or read together.

Since none of the prior art references includes an emitter located so that at least part of the drain contact region is located on one side of the emitter and at least part of the drain contact region is located on the other side of the emitter, it is therefore, respectfully submitted that all of the claims are now in a position for allowance. Early allowance is therefore respectfully requested.

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